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RADICALISM IN THE SADDLE.

In the sweeping changes made in the regulation of the liquor traffic by the board of supervisors at the meeting this week, Amador county has been committed to the most violent reactionary movement ever inaugurated in its history. We reserve our comments on the merits or demerits of the new ordinance for some future occasion. While some religious devotees—cranks perhaps—are not too strong a term—will hail in all sincerity this step as the dawn of a moral regeneration along gospel lines; others, and we venture to say the greater number of citizens, will deem it little more than a step from a moral standpoint. At the same time as an economic measure it is likely to prove most disastrous. For the present we point out the changes which have been made by the new ordinance, which will go into effect May 1st next. The license tax remains the same, \$15 per quarter, \$7.50 for wayside, the practice which has always been followed of classifying saloons in small villages like Pine Grove, Lancha Plana, etc., as wayside places is to be discontinued; they must hereafter pay full fare. For liquor privileges at picnic \$10 per day—no improvement on old rates worth speaking of. In this connection, it is a moot question whether the usual dancing platform and lady waitresses can be tolerated at these gatherings without the \$600 license penalty. But the bug in the ordinance is that a saloon in which any female actor or dancer is employed therein or in connection therewith must pay \$600 per quarter in advance. This provision is aimed at Chin's music hall, and is intended to suppress that place of amusement. Furthermore, gambling of every kind is prohibited, and the saloon business is to be raised to a higher plane. One peculiar feature is that no license can be granted to any person who has been furnished or is about to furnish liquor in a dance hall. This we take it, is another dig at John Chinn, calculated if lived up to strictly to shut him out of business for the balance of his days. Hereafter a saloon license is to be hedged about with many irksome preliminaries. The applicant must get up a petition, which must be signed by at least ten out of twenty near-by freeholders and taxpayers, he must publish a notice of his intention in the nearest newspaper for one week, and give a bond for his good behavior in the sum of \$1000. And all this formula for the benefit of the legal and publishing fraternities must be gone through with every year. What folter? If there are too many saloons, the straightforward plan to reduce their number would be to raise the license tax, as the supervisors were asked to do by petition. But the petition declined to thus face the issue squarely, but instead requires a lot of burdensome provisions, the tendency of which is to create a privileged class in this particular line.

To Jackson this matter appeals strongly. Jackson has been singled out for special regulation by this ordinance. Whether this new deal meets the approval of our citizens or not is not the question now. The fact is they were consulted to any extent. Only 16 names of Jackson's population appeared on the petition—the smallest number of any township in the county. And yet Jackson furnishes one-third of the voting strength, and fully one-third of the license revenue of the county. We have furnished the bulk of the road money for this district, notwithstanding the major part of the fund has gone to the improvement of outside roads. With this in consideration, this ordinance, like fair arrangement might probably be continued. Under present conditions, we have not reached the parting of the ways. Is it not time to assume control of our own internal affairs by incorporating the town. The editor of the Ledger fought incorporation before. He would do so again under the same circumstances. But as the name now stands a movement for home rule by crowning Jackson with the dignity of a city will meet with our earnest support. It may be that Jackson as an incorporated city will favor a more stringent liquor law than the county ordinance. All right, we shall not kick on that account. We shall at least have the satisfaction of knowing that Jackson's policy in this respect is shaped by a majority of her citizens and well-wishers, and not by outsiders who are unidentified with her material interests.

Letter to License Collector.

JACKSON, CAL., Feb. 2, 1904.

T. K. NORMAN, License Collector, Amador Co., Cal.

Dear Sir:—

At the meeting of the board of supervisors of this county held in the city of Jackson, Cal., February 1st, 1904, the following resolution was passed by said board, and you as license collector, are instructed to comply therewith. The following is a copy of said resolution:

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Very respectfully yours,

C. L. CULBERT, Clerk.

To Cure A Cold In One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

SUPERIOR COURT.

HON. R. C. MUST, JUDGE.

W. A. Nevills vs. Wm. Fleming—Neither plaintiff nor defendant appearing either personally or by counsel, and good cause appearing therefor, it is ordered that the order heretofore made citing said W. A. Nevills to appear before this court and show on Jan. 30, 1904, cause why he should not be punished for contempt in failing to have his deposition taken before a notary public, is hereby dismissed.

Frederick Eudey et al vs. Consolidated Jackson M. Co.—Judgment for plaintiff as prayed for in complaint.

Estate of Jerry Hardy—Mary Jane Hardy appointed admix.

Estate of W. A. Woodworth—Sale of personal property confirmed.

Estate of J. F. Parks—Sale of the following personal property filed:

10179 shares of South Eureka sold to A. Grainger for \$1017.90. Also 4000 shares of South Eureka sold to W. P. Detert for \$400. February 6 appointed for confirmation of said sale.

Estate of A. Nicolini—Feb. 13 set for hearing on final account and petition for distribution.

Christina Klam vs. Ernest Fisher and Christina Rickett—Settled out of court and action dismissed.

NEW SUITS.

Celeste Motroni, as administratrix of the estate of Domenico Marchini, deceased, vs. Egizio Carli and R. Matroni—To recover possession of certain lands in section 34 township 7 range 11, containing 281.49 acres together with water rights. Complaint recites that Domenico Marchini died on Aug. 2, 1900, leaving plaintiff one of the heirs of deceased. The plaintiff is duly appointed administratrix, and duly upon the duties of such position, including the possession of the real estate. On the 28th of January, 1902, defendants refused to surrender possession. Judgment is prayed for to the damage of the estate in the sum of \$200. That the value of the rents, etc., from Jan. 28, 1902, amounts to \$600; that defendants refuse to surrender possession. Judgment is prayed for for the restitution of said premises, for \$200 damages, and \$600 as rents and profits, together with costs of suit.

J. W. Caldwell, attorney for plaintiff.

E. F. Vogt vs. R. Ruene, Belle Lesslie, H. D. Emerson, and others—Suit to set aside sale of 140 acres in section 32 township 6 range 12, which was made by H. D. Emerson as commissioner on the 31st of January, 1903, under foreclosure proceedings. The basis of the action is that proceedings were not in accordance with law, and that the commissioner's sale was without legal force or effect. It is admitted that plaintiff was indebted to R. Ruene in the sum of \$400 with interest. Plaintiff offers to pay said sum with accrued interest into court; that said Emerson is about to issue a deed to said property to R. Ruene, and the latter is a chaser, and that such will result in plaintiff irreparable damages. Plaintiff prays that the true amount due defendants be fixed by the court, and upon the payment thereof they be debarred from asserting any claim thereon, and that plaintiff's title to said property be quieted. J. Rollin Fitch, attorney for plaintiff.

Levi A. Boshaw vs. Christina Boshaw—Suit for divorce on the ground of desertion. J. J. Ekel, plaintiff's attorney.

A Cure for Eczema.

My baby had Eczema so bad that its head was a solid mass of scabs, and its hair all came out. I tried many remedies but none seemed to do any permanent good until I used De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. The Eczema is cured, the scabs are gone, and the little scalp is perfectly clean and healthy, and its hair is growing beautifully again. I cannot give too much praise to De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the best remedy for Eczema, and is sold everywhere. Buy De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve look out for counterfeits. De Witt's is the original and the only one containing pure Witch Hazel. The name E. C. De Witt & Co. is on every bottle. Sold by Kerr's Pharmacy, Jackson.

IN MEMORIAM.

At a regular meeting of Court Jackson No. 148, F. of A., held January 28, 1904, in affectionate remembrance of our late brother, John Silva, the following resolutions of respect were adopted:

Whereas, it has pleased the supreme chief ranger of the universe to remove from our midst our late brother, John Silva, his increase is but just that a fitting recognition of his many virtues should be had, therefore be it

Resolved, that in the passing away of Brother John Silva from this life, the Foresters of America have lost one of its most worthy members; that in his fidelity to right, justice, humanity and true manhood, he well exemplified the principles of our order.

Resolved, that while we know how vain are the words to be said at such a loss, yet we extend to them our sincere sympathy in the sad bereavement which has fallen upon them, and we would pray the record of the true and affectionate husband, the kind father, the good citizen, the industrious man which our late brother has been in his life.

Resolved, that these resolutions be spread on the records of the court, and a copy thereof be transmitted to the family of our deceased brother, and that the same be published in the papers of Jackson.

V. SANGUINETTI.

MAX LADAR.

A. GOLDNER.

Committee.

CASTORIA.

For Infants and Children.

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Bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fitch*

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Dr. L. E. Phillips has changed his residence from the National hotel to the new home he recently purchased from V. A. Marini, located on the northwest corner of Main street, opposite the California hotel.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surface of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and building up the patient's strength by curing the constitutional and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Met in Regular Session and Attend to the County's Affairs.

The board met Monday, Feb. 1, 1904, in regular session, all members being present.

Claims against the county were allowed as follows:

CURRENT EXPENSE FUND.

Jackson Gaslight Co., gas, \$12 20
Grant Schroder, removing horse, 2 00
E. Greenman Co., stationery, 20 75
T. K. Norman, photo of criminal, 1 50
A. W. Robinson, justice fees, 3 00
Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone superior judge, 1 60
Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., sup't schools, 2 30
T. K. Norman, pursuing criminal, 20 00
G. A. Gritton, postage, 16 00
L. G. Meehan, typewriting, 5 00
T. K. Norman, board of prisoners, 118 50
Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., phone for superior judge, 3 75
C. P. Vicini, traveling expenses, 60 00
H. Gordon, justice fees, 45 00
J. W. Wanner, law book, 3 00
G. A. Gritton, coyote bounty, 14 00
W. L. Rose, justice fees, 4 15
W. L. Rose, coyote bounty, 29 70
G. A. Gritton, bluejay bounty, 6 00
C. Richmyer, water, 2 00
G. A. Gordon, traveling expenses, 20 75
J. McCarty, justice fees, 6 00
Amador Co. P. Co., printing, 20 00
M. Joy, watchman, 10 00
L. J. Glavinovich, supplies jail, 4 90
B. H. Schacht, expert testimony, 10 00
W. H. Wells, reporting, etc., 44 30
W. G. Long, justice fees, 2 00
A. J. Laverone, constable fees, 76 75
J. E. Kelley, " 16 50
T. S. Tuttle, " 27 25
W. Swain, funeral E. Kline, 25 00
Amador Dispatch, printing, 10 00
Dr. A. M. Gall, health officer, 50 00
John Muldon, conveying dead G. M. Huberty, coroner fees, 26 25
R. I. Kerr, drugs, 7 00
Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone for recorder, 2 30
Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., clerk, 3 95
" " " sheriff, 8 20
" " " dist. atty., 2 80
" " " health officer, 1 20
A. Carlisle Co., stationery, etc., 201 85
M. Newman, mileage, 2 70
W. M. Amick, " 2 40
A. Grillo, " 2 40
B. Burke, " 2 40
E. B. Moore, " 2 40

HOSPITAL FUND.

Mrs. C. Richmyer, water, 7 00
A. Orr, conveying patient, 6 00
E. Ginocchio & Bro., clothing, etc., 48 03
Sunset Tel. & Tel. Co., phone, 2 45
Mrs. Jas. Turner, washing, etc., 7 50
C. C. Barker, superintendent, 21 30
E. Ginocchio & Bro., groceries, 136 11
W. Schroder, digging graves, etc., 7 00
W. E. Stewart, conveying patient, 3 00
Geo. Miller, conveying patient, 5 00
W. M. Amick, " 25 00
E. Ginocchio & Bro., " 25 00
J. E. Kelley, conveying patient, 5 00
A. M. Gall, county physician, 60 00
S. Gallegos, conveying patient, 5 50
W. H. Grillo, " 30 00
A. B. Caminetti, vegetables, etc., 21 30
Jackson Gaslight Co., gas, 14 00
S. Gallegos, conveying patient, 4 00
A. Howerton, cow, 65 00
John Scully, conveying patient, 5 00
John Grillo, " 6 00
Thomas & Eudey, meats, 98 91
M. H. Jones, conveying patient, 6 00

SALARY FUND.

M. Newman, road commissioner, 25 00
L. Burke, " 25 00
A. Grillo, " 25 00
W. M. Amick, " 25 00
E. B. Moore, " 25 00

BRIDGE FUND.

L. Burke, labor, etc., 70 65
A. Grillo, " 61 77
W. M. Amick, " 65 12

ROAD FUND.

M. Newman, labor, etc., dist. 1, 916 50
Ford & Lucot, " " 1, 10 35
W. M. Amick, " " 2, 507 84
J. Boroni, " " 3, 200 00
L. H. Cook, " " 4, 150 00
H. Cook, " " 4, 96 00
L. Oneto, " " 4, 25 00
E. B. Moore, " " 4, 169 00
L. Burke, " " 5, 526 00

SPECIAL ROAD FUND.

Amador R. E. Mills, dist. 1, 150 00

Monthly report of county health officer, hospital report of county physician, joint quarterly statement of auditor and treasurer, and treasurer's report, and criminal returns of Justices Goldner, McCauley, Robinson and Rose, were approved.

It was ordered that Joseph Corisola be admitted to the county hospital.

An ordinance fixing the road poll tax at \$2.00 for the year 1904, was unanimously carried.

The petition of W. H. Glasson for transfer of license permit from Amador City to Central House, near Plymouth, was granted.

Application of John Nicholas for refunding taxes illegally collected, was denied.

Applications to sell liquor were read and granted as follows: Winram & Shealar, Amador City; J. H. Vieuzeup and Ryan Bros.; John Henry Well, near Quincy; Orlis, J. D. Jalo, and W. J. Nettie Jr., Jackson, effective till Aug. 1, 1904.

Application of Dante Biscardi & N. Giovannetti to sell liquor in the Brown building at Jackson, was laid over till next meeting.

Record of T. K. Norman for 5 days' credits to M. Mello, now confined in the county jail, was granted.

A communication from the board of supervisors of Alpine county, relative to the care of indigent persons, was read. No room being available in the county hospital, clerk was ordered to notify supervisors of Alpine county that petition could not be granted at present.

A communication from the state board of fish and game commissioners was referred to C. B. Ardillo, deputy fish and game warden.

A communication from the secretary of state board of examiners, relative to orphans, half orphans, etc., was read. The clerk was instructed to notify Chas. Gilbert of Jackson, to remove those certain obstructions placed across sidewalk on Center street, Webb-Mason addition.

Wm. J. McGee appeared before the board and asked county support for the Wiley family in Sutter Creek. He said the children were half orphans; that the mother was a worthy and industrious woman, but needed help to properly clothe and furnish food to her children; that there was a state law under which this county could draw \$75 per annum for the support of half-orphans, and \$100 per annum for the support of whole orphans and abandoned children; that many counties in the state were giving support to orphans, and being reimbursed from the state under this law; that there were, no doubt, many worthy orphans in this county who ought to get this aid; that the board should have the district attorney investigate this matter, and he further cheerfully offered his services free to help these poor children get this money. The district attorney was instructed to go to Sacramento, gain the desired information, and report to board at next meeting.

Warrants were cancelled as follows:

School fund, \$1222 30
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Hospital fund, 625 98
Salary fund, 1749 81
Road fund, 1749 81
Special road fund, 600 00
Bridge fund, 352 21
New York Ranch school, 35 50
Lone Union High School, 337 00
An ordinance amending Section 20 of Ordinance No. 91, relative to liquor and other business, was unanimously carried.

The following preamble and resolution were read and unanimously carried:

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There being no further business the board adjourned until Monday, March 7, 1904.

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RAINING CATS AND DOGS.

Various Explanations of the Origin of This Expression.

Many explanations have been given of the origin of the expression "raining cats and dogs." One is that it is a perversion of the French "catadoue," a waterfall—"it is raining a catadoue," or cataraets. Another explanation is that the male blossoms of the willow tree, which are used on Palm Sunday to represent the branches of palm, were called "cats and dogs" in some parts of England, where they increase rapidly after a few warm April showers, and the belief prevailed that the rain brought them.

Others trace the saying to northern mythology, in which the cat is said to have great influence on the weather, and sailors still have a saying, "The cat has a gale of wind in her tail," when she is unusually frisky. Witches that rode upon the storms were said to assume the form of cats, and the stormy northwest wind is called "the cat's nose" in the Harz mountains even at the present day. Then the dog is a symbol of wind, which in old German pictures is figured as the head of a dog or wolf from which blasts issue. The cat therefore symbolizes a down-pour of rain; the dog, strong gusts of wind, which accompany it, and so a rain "of cats and dogs" is a heavy rain with wind.

Evolution of the Bayonet.

The swiney-feather (hog's bristle), which seems to have been the original prototype of the bayonet, was a long rapier blade, fixed in a handle and carried in a sheath, which was given to a musketeer for defense after he had discharged his piece. Stuck by its handle in the muzzle of the rifle, it constituted a very efficient weapon for acting against pikemen. To diminish its incumbrance the swiney-feather and musket rest were combined, the latter forming a sheath for the former, in the reign of James I.

Toward the latter part of the civil war the use of the musket rest was abandoned, and it became the practice to stick the dagger by its handle into the muzzle of the piece after discharging it. In 1680 two wings were added by which the bayonet was placed on the muzzle without interfering with the firing. This improvement, the invention of General Mackay, an English officer, was introduced into the French army by Vauban in 1703. By the English themselves it was not adopted until after the battle of Fontenoy (1745), where the advantages its use conferred on the French were only too painfully manifested. The Duke of Cumberland's army being defeated with the loss of 15,000 men.—Pearson's Weekly.

His Own Manuscript.

George Ade, in the early days of his career, before the "Fables in Slang" had brought him fame, called one morning in Chicago upon a Sunday editor on a mission from a theatrical manager.

"I have brought you this manuscript," he began, but the editor, looking up at the tall, timid youth, interrupted: "Just throw the manuscript in the wastebasket, please," he said. "I'm very busy just now and haven't time to do it myself."

Mr. Ade obeyed calmly. He resumed: "I have come from the theater, and the manuscript I have just thrown in the wastebasket is your comic farce of 'The Erring Son,' which the manager asks me to return to you with thanks. He suggests that you sell it to an undertaker, to be read at funerals."

Then Mr. Ade smiled gently and withdrew.

"Clapping" Crows.

The following account is given in Country Life of the way in which pilfering crows are dealt with by Italian agriculturists: A hole of a certain depth is dug in the ground, at the bottom of which is placed some decayed meat. A funnel shaped wedge of paper is then inserted into the hole, the upper edge of the paper being coated with birdlime. The crow, when he sees the food, descends to grasp it, and when he has firm hold of it he rises up again. His head is, however, swathed with the paper cap, and in his mad endeavor to rid himself of it he circles up to extraordinary heights in the air, revolving constantly and at so rapid a pace that, soon overcome with giddiness, he falls to the earth dead.

The Cashew Nut.

The cashew nut is a unique purpose as a cosmetic in the West Indies, where women desiring to remove excessive tan anoint the skin with an oil from the outer surface of the raw nut. For two weeks the patient must retire from society, for the face and hands so treated turn black. At the end of a fortnight's seclusion, however, the woman who has undergone the cashew treatment emerges, observers state, "with skin and complexion as fair as a babe's."

Fortune's Favor Sufficient.

"What do we want with gold and precious stones?" said the proud young mother, gazing fondly upon the baby. "This is fortune enough for us."

"Eh?" grunted the father, who had been walking the floor nearly all night. "I'm glad fortune didn't knock twice at our door."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Sympathy.

He got a note from Dunne today saying that he absolutely must have the money I owe him by tomorrow morning.

She—Oh, the poor fellow!—Life.

Napoleon I., who was a great admirer of female talent (when its owner did not like Mme. de Staël, direct it against himself), used to say, "There are few women who have only one fault; that they are not men."

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SIGNS ARE OLD.

In Ancient Greece They Were Used on Business Houses.

The custom of marking a business house by means of a sign is of very ancient origin. In the great cities of the east and among the ancient Egyptians such a practice must have been necessary, as all trades were classified and confined to certain sections of the city, and then all wares were exposed to full view, as they were displayed in open booths.

The history of Grecian signboards is meager, yet the allusions of Aristophanes and Lucian to signboards warrant our belief in their use by the Greeks. Athenaeus tells us, "He hung the well known sign in front of his house."

Advancing to Roman times, there is abundant evidence of signs, as the discoveries of Pompeii and Herculaneum amply testify. In the Eternal City some of the streets derived their names from signs, just as hundreds of London streets have been so named. The Roman street Vicus Ursi Pileati was named from the sign, for, as the name indicates, it was the street of "The Bear With the Hat On." But it was not until late in the fifteenth century that the custom gained a footing in England, first of all among the taverns and alehouses. Later came the necessity of distinguishing between certain shops brought about by the fact that the houses were not numbered and the people could not read word signs.—Julian King Calford in St. Nicholas.

Skee Jumping.

The great event of the skee club of the western states is the jumping contest. Below, the endless hill seems to stretch on forever into the expanse of the valley, the steepness of the incline lost in its whiteness. A long breath and you start. Faster and faster you go, till suddenly a flash of green in front, and the jump off is coming. Crooked until your knees almost touch your knees, with muscles strained, out into the air you sail!

A strange lightness and feebleness take possession of your limbs, and your spirit shares the intoxication of soaring into space. After long seconds you are called back to earth, first for half a second softly, but then hard as iron that seems to give you an electric shock. You wobble helplessly from right to left, each foot seems planted on the ground and still in the air, but you have kept your balance and are shooting forward. At last you catch your first breath, like a hiccup; then a longer one. You are master of the field, with a jump of a hundred feet or more, and finish the victorious course in a neatly rounded curve.—Country Life in America.

A Weird Incident.

Some years ago the most strange incident took place in a west end club. There lay on the table in one of the rooms a list of members who had put down their names for an approaching house dinner. A workman on a ladder, who was putting the finishing touches to the decoration of the ceiling, fell a single tiny splash of red paint, which dropped on the first name on the list and obliterated it as if with the stroke of a pen. Some of the members who noticed this occurrence thought it very bad omen; others, like Hamlet, defied augury. But, curiously enough, the member whose name had thus been struck out was taken ill the next day and died in the club on the night before the dinner was to have taken place.—Golden Penny.

Valuable Shares.

The shares of the New River corporation are the most valuable in the world, and only fractions of them are usually come upon the market. For many years the shares were sold at 65 apiece, and indeed Charles I. reassigned his king's shares to the company in return for a perpetual annual payment of £500, which sum, under the style of the "king's clog," is still paid. How bad a bargain that was is shown by the dividend for years past having averaged £2,000 per share, while a few years ago one of the shares was sold for £12,000 by public auction. The actual face value of the shares is £100.—London Standard.

Webster Was Willing.

When Daniel Webster's market man had sued him for a long unpaid bill and got his money he was so scared at his ferocity that he stopped calling at the door for orders. The godlike Dan asked him why one day, and the man confessed that he supposed Mr. Webster would never trade with him again. "Oh," said Webster, "sue me as often as you like, but for heaven's sake don't starve me." There was never a time when the great man was not willing to owe as much as anybody was willing to let him owe.—Springfield Republican.

Conjugal Repartee.

Wife—That's the third time you've stepped on my dress. I wish you were not so slow.

Husband—It's you that are slow.

Wife—Indeed, I am not.

Husband—Well, your train is behind.—Washington Post.

Miss Puss's Criticism.

Miss Puss—I trust you will consider my criticisms, dear, as coming from a friend.

Vera Perte—Oh, I will. I look upon you as the oldest, the very oldest, friend I have.—Brooklyn Life.

A Thin Spread.

Kwato—It's more or less true that, as the old saw has it, "Charity covers a multitude of sins."

Hardhead—But never if it's our charity and other people's sins.—Philadelphia Press.

A HISTORICAL DUEL.

THIRTEEN SWORSMEN SLAIN BY ONE MAN BEFORE AN ARMY.

A Scene More Exciting Than Any Battle in the Annals of Modern History—Ten Thousand Witnesses to the Terrible Work of One Sword.

To give an idea of what a brave man can do if he knows fencing thoroughly and but keeps cool and collected in danger we will relate a historical duel. So extraordinary is this combat that it would be held a romance had it not been witnessed by a whole army. The hero is Jean Louis, one of the great masters of the beginning of last century, and the duel happened in Madrid in 1813. He was the master-at-arms of the Thirty-second regiment of French Infantry. The First regiment, composed entirely of Italians, formed part of the same brigade.

Regimental esprit de corps and rivalries of nationality caused constant quarrels, when swords were often whipped out or bullets exchanged. After a small battle had occurred in the streets of Madrid, in which over 200 French and Italian soldiers had taken part, the officers of the two regiments, in a council of war assembled, decided to give such breaches of order a great blow and to re-establish discipline. They decreed that the masters-at-arms of the two regiments should take up the quarrel and fight it out.

Imagine a whole army in battle array on one of the large plains that surround Madrid. In the center a large ring is left open for the contestants. This spot is raised above the plain so that not one of the spectators of this tragic scene—guilty dressed officers, soldiers in line, Spaniards, excited as never a bull fight excited them—will miss one phase of the contest. It is before 10,000 men that the honor of an army is about to be avenged in the blood of thirty brave men.

The drum is heard. Two men, naked to the waist, step in the ring. The first is tall and strong. His black eyes roll disdainfully upon the gaping crowd. He is Giacomo Ferrari, the celebrated Italian. The second, tall, also handsome and with muscles like steel, stands modestly awaiting the word of command. His name is Jean Louis. The seconds take their places on either side of their principals. A deathlike silence ensues.

"On guard!" The two masters cross swords. Giacomo Ferrari lunges repeatedly at Jean Louis, but in vain. His every thrust is met by a parry. He makes up his mind to hide his chance and caresses and teases his opponent's blade. Jean Louis, calm and watchful, lends himself to the play, when, quicker than lightning, the Italian jumps aside with a loud yell and makes a terrible lunge at Jean Louis, a Florentine trick, often successful. But with extraordinary rapidity Jean Louis has parried and respects quickly in the shoulder.

"It is nothing," cries Giacomo; "a mere scratch." And they again fall on guard. Almost directly he is hit in the breast. This time the sword of Jean Louis, who is now attacking, penetrates deeply. Giacomo's face becomes livid, his sword drops from his hand, and he falls heavily on the turf. He is dead. Jean Louis is already in position. He wipes his reeking blade; then, with the point of his sword on the ground, he calmly awaits the next man.

The best fencer of the First regiment has just been carried away a corpse, but the day is not yet over. Fourteen adversaries are there, impatient to measure swords with the conqueror, burning to avenge the master they had deemed invincible.

Jean Louis hardly had two minutes' rest. He is ready. A new adversary stands before him. A sinister click of swords is heard, a lunge, a parry, a riposte and then a cry, a sigh, and all is over. A second body is before Jean Louis.

A third adversary advances. They want Jean Louis to rest. "I am not tired," he answers, with a smile. The signal is given. The Italian is as tall as the one who lies there a corpse covered by a military cloak. He has closely watched Jean Louis' play and thinks he has guessed the secret of his victories. He multiplies his feints and tricks; then, all at once, bounding like a tiger on his prey, he gives his opponent a terrible thrust in the lower line. But Jean Louis' sword has parried and is now deep within his opponent's breast.

What need we to relate any more? Ten new adversaries followed him, and the ten fell before Jean Louis amid the excited yells and roars of an army. At the request of the Thirty-second regiment's colonel, who thought the lesson sufficient, Jean Louis after much pleading consented to stop the combat, and he shook hands with the two survivors, applauded by 10,000 men.

From that day fights ceased between French and Italian soldiers. This wonderful and gigantic combat might be held a fable were not all the facts above stated still found in the archives of the ministry of war.—Lippincott's.

Knew Three of Them.

Dearborn—Do you know the seven wonders of the world?

Wabash—Well, I know three of them.

"Only three?"

"Yes; I've only been married three times, you know."

Working Up to It.

Emma—And, Charlie, dear, would you have really shot yourself if I had refused you?

Charlie—Indeed I would. I had already sent to four houses for price lists of revolvers.

Fire and sword are but slow engines of destruction in comparison with the babble.—Steele.

Marriages in Burma.

Burma is unique among the countries of the east in the position accorded to women. There is no purdah there, and gentle as she looks, the married woman is the head of her household. The girls before their ears are pierced, which is equivalent to a coming out reception, are allowed to roam about the streets playing boyish games with their brothers and their friends, and afterward there are many opportunities for young men and women to meet at festivals, boat races and other gayeties. Marriages in Burma therefore are usually love matches, and the unmarried woman is in no hurry to change her state. Burma women are charming, generally slender, dainty and demurely coquettish. They wear gaily colored garments, which make them look like flower beds, and their hair, which is shining and smooth, is always uncovered and decked with flowers.

Why Your Coffee Is Bad.

Bridgeport is an excellent cook, but, like most women of her profession, she is opinionated and insists upon making all her dishes strictly according to her own recipes. Her mistress gives her full swing not only as to cooking, but as to the purchase of supplies. The other day her mistress said to her: "Bridgeport, the coffee you are giving us is very good. What kind is it?" "It is no kind at all, mum," said Bridgeport. "It's a mixer."

"How do you mix it?" "I shake it one-quarter Mocha and one-quarter Java and one-quarter Rio."

"But that's only three-quarters. What do you put in for the other quarter?" "I put in no other quarter at all, mum. That's where so many spoil the coffee, mum—by putting in another quarter."—New York Press.

The Japanese Hell.

The Japanese language has no equivalent for our word "hell," but has the word "Jigoku" instead. Jigoku consists of, first, eight immense hot hells, ranging one beneath the other in tiers. Each of these hells has sixteen additional bells outside its gates, like so many antechambers, so that there are in all 130 hot hells. Second, there are eight large cold hells, each with its sixteen ante-hells, making the same number of cold that there are of hot hells. Besides these 272 hot and cold hells for offenders of the common sort the wily Japs have twenty mammoth "hells of utter darkness," into which will be consigned the spirits of children who take the name of Dal Butsa, or Great Buddha, in vain.

Why He Doubted the Map.

At a St. Andrew's society dinner one of the speakers told of a Scotch gardener, recently landed, who had great difficulty in acquiring a knowledge of American geography. The son of the household, failing to teach the gardener in any other way, brought out a huge, highly colored map. The Scot looked at it critically.

"Ah, yes, lad; that may be, but it's no to be trusted. It's laid out in the plaid o' the leeln' MacFechtens," was his comment.

All imposture weakens confidence and chills benevolence.—Johnson.

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